

# Co-simulation: State of the art

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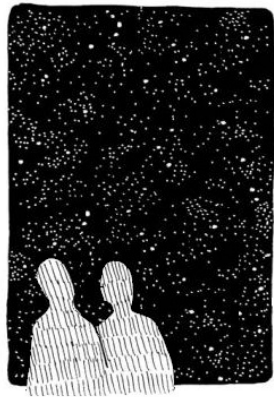
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**Why co-simulation?**

**And why are we here?**



# Motivation(s) for Co-simulation

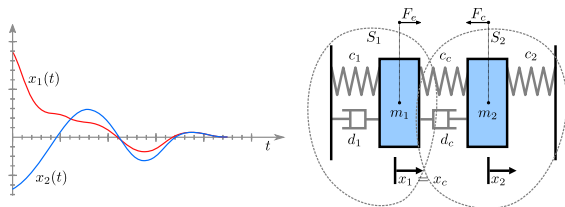
Definition: Simulation of a coupled system,  
via the composition of sub-system simulations.

Main reasons:

- ▶ Performance/Accuracy;
- ▶ Heterogeneity of languages and tools;
- ▶ Intellectual Property protection;

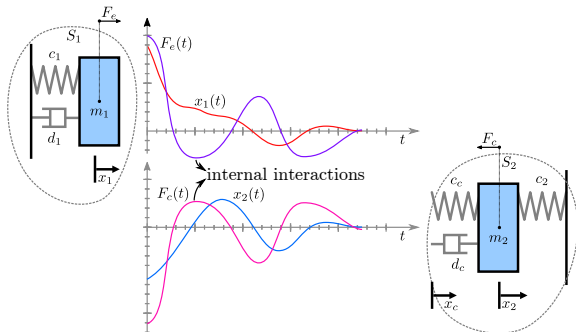
Main goal: unlock the full potential of simulation.

# Why are we here?



Simulation of a coupled system...

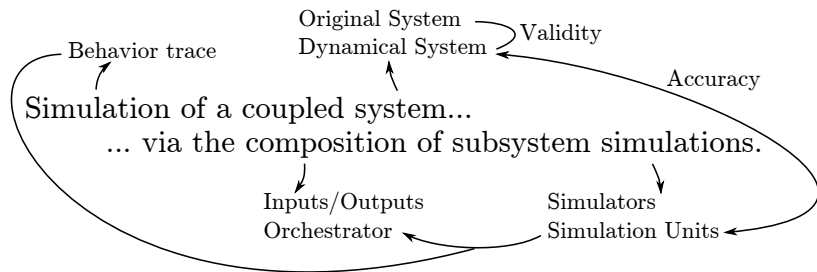
... via the composition of subsystem simulations.



# Outline

- ▶ Terminology
- ▶ Simulation units
- ▶ Input extrapolation techniques
- ▶ Orchestration algorithms
- ▶ Algebraic loops
- ▶ Convergence
- ▶ Stability
- ▶ Wrap-up
- ▶ Ongoing work

# Background Overview



# Dynamical Systems



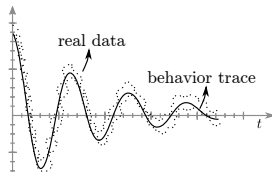
evolution state inputs

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$$

$$y = g(x, u)$$

$$x(0) = p$$

outputs

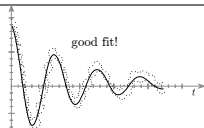


Experimental Frame

Validity

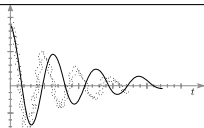
Valid model

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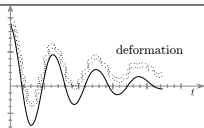
Invalid model

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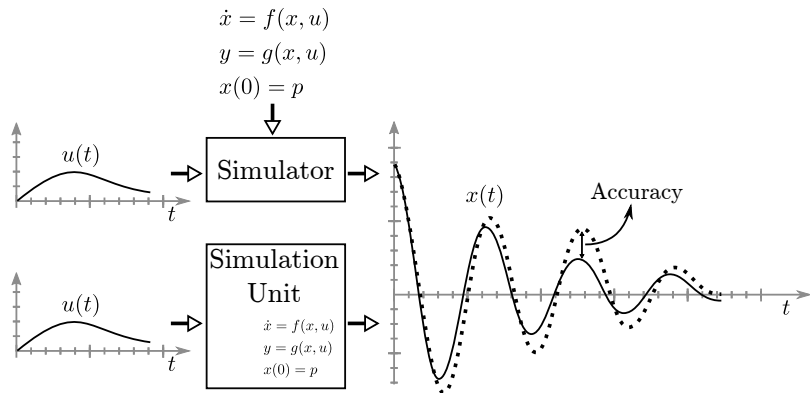


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# Simulators



Correct SU = Accurate Simulator + Valid Model



# Simulation Unit

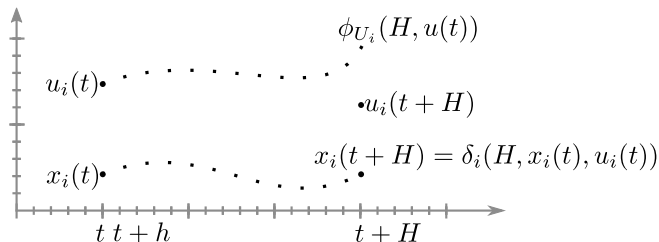
$$S_i = \langle X_i, U_i, Y_i, \delta_i, \lambda_i, x_i(0), \phi_{U_i} \rangle$$

$$\delta_i : \mathbb{R} \times X_i \times U_i \rightarrow X_i$$

$$\lambda_i : \mathbb{R} \times X_i \times U_i \rightarrow Y_i \text{ or } \mathbb{R} \times X_i \rightarrow Y_i$$

$$x_i(0) \in X_i$$

$$\phi_{U_i} : \mathbb{R} \times U_i \times \dots \times U_i \rightarrow U_i$$



# Simulation Unit and the Functional Mockup Unit

$$S_i = \langle X_i, U_i, Y_i, \delta_i, \lambda_i, x_i(0), \phi_{U_i} \rangle$$

$$y_i := \lambda_i(t, x_i, u_i);$$

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fmi2SetFMUstatei(ci, xi);
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fmi2SetReali(ci, ..., dim(Ui), ui);
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fmi2GetReali(ci, ..., dim(Yi), yi);
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fmi2DoStepi(ci, t, H, ...);
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fmi2GetFMUstatei(ci, &xi);
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# Types of Simulation Units

$$S_i = \langle X_i, U_i, Y_i, \delta_i, \lambda_i, x_i(0), \phi_{U_i} \rangle$$

State transition:

**reactive**  $x_i(t + H) = \delta_i(H, x_i(t), \mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{H}))$

**delayed**  $x_i(t + H) = \delta_i(H, x_i(t), \mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{t}))$

Output:

**mealy**  $y_i(t) = \lambda_i(t, x_i(t), \mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{t}))$

**moore**  $y_i(t) = \lambda_i(t, x_i(t))$

# Types of Input Extrapolations

Constant

$$u_i(t) \dots \dots \dots \phi_{U_i}$$

Linear

$$u(t - H)$$

$$u_i(t) \dots \dots \dots \phi_{U_i}$$

Polynomial

$$u(t - H) \quad u_i(t) \dots \dots \dots \phi_{U_i}$$
$$u(t - H)$$

Extrapolated/Interpolation

$$u(t - H) \quad u_i(t) \dots \dots \dots \phi_{U_i}$$
$$\phi_{U_i}(H, u_i(t - H), \dots)$$

Context-aware

$$u(t - H) \dots \dots \dots \phi_{U_i} = \{ \dots$$

Model ID'ed

$$\dot{w} = f(w, \dots)$$
$$\phi_{U_i} = \tilde{g}(w, \dots)$$
$$u_i(t) \dots \dots \dots$$

# Checkpoint

- ▶ Dynamical Systems
  - ▶ Simulators
  - ▶ Simulation units (externals and internals)
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- ▶ Interactions between Simulation Units

# Co-simulation Scenario

$$\langle \{S_i : i \in D\}, L \rangle$$

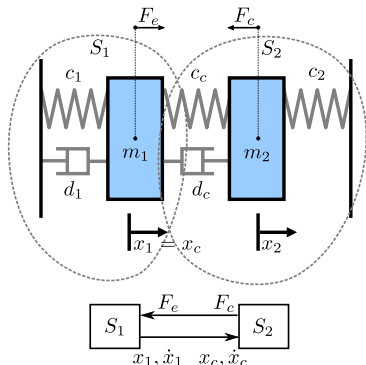
$$S_i = \langle X_i, U_i, Y_i, \delta_i, \lambda_i, x_i(0), \phi_{U_i} \rangle$$

$$L : (\prod_{i \in D} Y_i) \times Y_{CS} \times (\prod_{i \in D} U_i) \times U_{CS} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\text{Coupling: } L = \bar{0}$$

$$\langle \{1, 2\}, \{S_1, S_2\}, L \rangle$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} x_c - v_1 \\ \dot{x}_c - \dot{x}_1 \\ F_e - F_c \end{bmatrix}$$

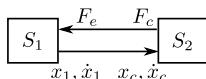


# Jacobi Type Orchestrator

$$\langle \{S_i : i \in D\}, L \rangle$$

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$t := 0 ;$

$x_i := x_i(0)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n ;$

**while true do**

Solve the following system for the unknowns:

$$\begin{cases} y_1 = \lambda_1(t, x_1, u_1) \\ \dots \\ y_n = \lambda_n(t, x_n, u_n) \\ L(y_1, \dots, y_n, y_{CS}, u_1, \dots, u_n) = \bar{0} \end{cases}$$

$x_i := \delta_i(H, x_i, u_i)$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n ;$

$t := t + H$

**end**

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\* Delayed units only.

# Compositional Co-simulation

The *raison d'être* of the orchestrator is to produce a correct co-simulation trace, assuming that *each simulation unit is correct*.



# Algebraic Loops

## I/O

$x_i, x_j$  known.

$$\mathbf{y}_i = \lambda_i(t, x_i, \mathbf{u}_i)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_j = \mathbf{y}_i$$

$$\mathbf{y}_j = \lambda_j(t, x_j, \mathbf{u}_j)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_i = \mathbf{y}_j$$

## State and I/O

$x_i, x_j, y_j, u_i$  known.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \delta_i(H, x_i, u_i)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i = \lambda_i(t + H, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_j = \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j = \delta_j(H, x_j, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_j)$$

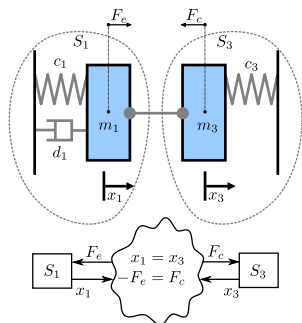
$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_j = \lambda_j(t + H, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_j$$

## Fixed point iterations

Strong coupling, Waveform iteration, Semi-implicit

# Algebraic Couplings



$$g(F_e) = \tilde{x}_1(F_e) - \tilde{x}_3(-F_e) = 0$$

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- 1 Guess  $F_e$ ;
  - 2  $\hat{x}_1 := \delta_1(H, x_1, F_e)$ ;
  - 3  $\hat{x}_3 := \delta_i(H, x_3, -F_e)$ ;
  - 4 **if**  $\hat{x}_1 \approx \hat{x}_3$  **then**
  - 5 | Done;
  - 6 **end**
  - 7  $\bar{x}_1 := \delta_1(H, x_1, F_e + \epsilon)$ ;
  - 8  $\bar{x}_3 := \delta_i(H, x_3, -F_e + \epsilon)$ ;
  - 9  $\frac{\partial x_1}{\partial F_e} \approx \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \hat{x}_1}{\epsilon}$ ;
  - 10  $\frac{\partial x_2}{\partial F_c} \approx \frac{\bar{x}_3 - \hat{x}_3}{\epsilon}$ ;
  - 11  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial F_e} = \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial F_e} + \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial F_c}$ ;
  - 12  $F_e := F_e(n \cdot H) - \left[ \frac{\partial g(F_e(n \cdot H))}{\partial F_e} \right]^{-1} \cdot g(F_e(n \cdot H))$ ;
  - 13 Go to Line 1;
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# Error Control

- ▶ Convergence – Deviation of co-simulation trace from true solution  $e(t)$  *ultimately* ( $t \rightarrow 0$ ) tends to zero, as  $H \rightarrow 0$ .
  - ▶ Sufficient condition: coupled model is an ODE.
  - ▶ Danger: algebraic loops *in the coupled model*.
  - ▶ Order bottle neck is  $\phi_{U_i}$ .
- ▶ Error Estimation
  - ▶ Richardson extrapolation: compare steps with half-steps;
  - ▶ Multi-Order Input Extrapolation: compare different order input approximations;
  - ▶ Milne's Device: compare guessed input with given input;
  - ▶ Parallel Embedded Method: take derivative of some unit and run an ODE solver in parallel;
  - ▶ Conservation Laws: track energy excesses/defects;
  - ▶ Embedded Solver Method: let units decide;
- ▶ Step size selection: all traditional simulation techniques apply.

# Stability

Relevant question: does the orchestrator cause  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) \neq 0$ , for  $H > 0$ ?

- ▶ Assume coupled ODE system (which must be LTI) is stable:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \hat{x}(t) = 0$
- ▶ Write each simulation unit as a discrete time system:  
 $x_i^{(n+1)} = e^{A_i H} x_i^{(n)} + K_i B_i u_i^{(n)}$
- ▶ And its output:  $y_i^{(n+1)} = C_i e^{A_i H} x_i^{(n)} + (C_i K_i B_i [+D_i]) u_i^{(n)}$
- ▶ Replacing all inputs  $u_i$  by the coupling conditions, we get a big discrete system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(n+1)} \\ v_1^{(n+1)} \\ y_1^{(n+1)} \\ x_2^{(n+1)} \\ v_2^{(n+1)} \\ y_2^{(n+1)} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{A_1 H} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & K_1 B_1 \\ C_1 e^{A_1 H} & \bar{0} & \bar{0} & C_1 K_1 B_1 \\ \bar{0} & K_2 B_2 & e^{A_2 H} & \bar{0} \\ \bar{0} & C_2 K_2 B_2 + D_2 & C_2 e^{A_2 H} & \bar{0} \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(n)} \\ v_1^{(n)} \\ y_1^{(n)} \\ x_2^{(n)} \\ v_2^{(n)} \\ y_2^{(n)} \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Check if  $\rho(A) < 1$

# Summary

- ▶ Simulation units
- ▶ Orchestration algorithms
- ▶ Compositionality for correct co-simulation
- ▶ Threats to compositionality

Thank you!

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